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through such other Federal Reserve Bank only with the approval of the Board.

(d) Notwithstanding other provisions of this part, reports with respect to any accounts opened and maintained, and negotiations, agreements, contracts, and understandings entered into, pursuant to this section shall be made to the Board at least quarterly, and more frequently if so requested by the Board, by a duly authorized officer of the Federal Reserve Bank involved.

[Reg. N, 27 FR 1719, Feb. 22, 1962]

#### §214.6 Amendments.

The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System reserves the right, in its discretion, to alter, amend or repeal these regulations and to prescribe such additional regulations, conditions, and limitations as it may deem desirable, respecting relationships and transactions of any kind entered into by any Federal Reserve Bank with any foreign bank or banker or with any group of foreign banks or bankers or with any foreign State.

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AUTHORITY: 12 U.S.C. 248(i), 375a(10), 375b(9) and (10), 1817(k)(3) and 1972(2)(G)(ii); Pub. L. 102-242, 105 Stat. 2236.

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# Subpart A—Loans by Member Banks to Their Executive Officers, Directors, and Principal Shareholders

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### §215.1 Authority, purpose, and scope.

(a) Authority. This subpart is issued pursuant to sections 11(i), 22(g), and 22(h) of the Federal Reserve Act (12 U.S.C. 248(i), 375a, and 375b), 12 U.S.C. 1817(k), and section 306 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Improvement Act of 1991 (Pub. L. 102–242, 105 Stat. 2236 (1991)).

(b) Purpose and scope. This subpart A governs any extension of credit by a member bank to an executive officer, director, or principal shareholder of: The member bank; a bank holding company of which the member bank is a subsidiary; and any other subsidiary of that bank holding company. It also applies to any extension of credit by a member bank to: A company controlled by such a person; and a political or campaign committee that benefits or is controlled by such a person. This subpart A also implements the reporting requirements of 12 U.S.C. 375a concerning extensions of credit by a member bank to its executive officers and of 12 U.S.C. 1817(k) concerning extensions of credit by a member bank to its executive officers or principal shareholders, or the related interests of such persons.

#### §215.2 Definitions.

For the purposes of this subpart A, the following definitions apply unless otherwise specified:

- (a) Affiliate means any company of which a member bank is a subsidiary or any other subsidiary of that company.
- (b) *Company* means any corporation, partnership, trust (business or otherwise), association, joint venture, pool syndicate, sole proprietorship, unincorporated organization, or any other form of business entity not specifically listed herein. However, the term does not include:
- (1) An insured depository institution (as defined in 12 U.S.C. 1813); or
- (2) A corporation the majority of the shares of which are owned by the United States or by any State.
- (c)(1) Control of a company or bank means that a person directly or indirectly, or acting through or in concert with one or more persons:
- (i) Owns, controls, or has the power to vote 25 percent or more of any class of voting securities of the company or bank:
- (ii) Controls in any manner the election of a majority of the directors of the company or bank; or
- (iii) Has the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of the company or bank.
- (2) A person is presumed to have control, including the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies, of a company or bank if:
  - (i) The person is:
- (A) An executive officer or director of the company or bank; and
- (B) Directly or indirectly owns, controls, or has the power to vote more than 10 percent of any class of voting securities of the company or bank; or
- (ii)(A) The person directly or indirectly owns, controls, or has the power to vote more than 10 percent of any class of voting securities of the company or bank; and
- (B) No other person owns, controls, or has the power to vote a greater per-

centage of that class of voting securities.

- (3) An individual is not considered to have control, including the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies, of a company or bank solely by virtue of the individual's position as an officer or director of the company or bank.
- (4) A person may rebut a presumption established by paragraph (c)(2) of this section by submitting to the appropriate Federal banking agency (as defined in 12 U.S.C. 1813(q)) written materials that, in the agency's judgment, demonstrate an absence of control.
- (d)(1) Director of a company or bank means any director of the company or bank, whether or not receiving compensation. An advisory director is not considered a director if the advisory director:
- (i) Is not elected by the shareholders of the company or bank;
- (ii) Is not authorized to vote on matters before the board of directors; and
- (iii) Provides solely general policy advice to the board of directors.
- (2) Extensions of credit to a director of an affiliate of a bank are not subject to §§ 215.4, 215.6, and 215.8 if—
- (i) The director of the affiliate is excluded, by resolution of the board of directors or by the bylaws of the bank, from participation in major policymaking functions of the bank, and the director does not actually participate in such functions;
- (ii) The affiliate does not control the bank;
- (iii) As determined annually, the assets of the affiliate do not constitute more than 10 percent of the consolidated assets of the company that—
  - (A) Controls the bank; and
- (B) Is not controlled by any other company; and
- (iv) The director of the affiliate is not otherwise subject to \$\$215.4, 215.6, and 215.8.
- (3) For purposes of paragraph (d)(2)(i) of this section, a resolution of the board of directors or a corporate bylaw mav—
- (i) Include the director (by name or by title) in a list of persons excluded from participation in such functions; or